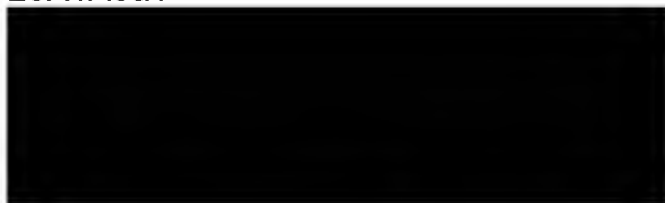


*Chapman  
+ General*

November 25, 1953

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Many thanks for your kind letter about my talk.

Your query about [REDACTED] 25X1A5a1  
prompts me to say that I feel that no official classified  
information was disclosed by him. Allen had a mild feeling  
that I was wrong in indicating to [REDACTED] that he could 25X1A5a1  
print anything that had been discussed in the [REDACTED] offices 25X1A5a1  
but his feeling was based solely on the possibility that  
it would annoy the members of the [REDACTED] I told Allen 25X1A5a1  
that I had urged all listeners to disseminate the basic  
facts so long as they did not attribute them to CIA because  
I feel so strongly that the opinion-making segment of the  
American public must wake up to the scale of Russian  
power. Hence it is only the somewhat lurid lead sentence  
and the fact that the article appeared on page 1 that  
perturbs me, and, as you say, there is not much use in  
trying to lock that particular barn door.

Finally, if I can save one sheet of paper, may I  
accept with pleasure your invitation to become an  
associate member of the [REDACTED] I know I will enjoy  
[REDACTED] meetings when I can get to them and consider it  
a great honor to be included on its roster. I assume I  
shall be billed for the dues.

Regards,

Sincerely,

Robert Amory, Jr.  
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